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Undergraduate Certificate in Homeland Security

STUDENT DATA:

NAME: ROADMAP'S DEGREE

SSN: 000-00-0000

Credit Required	Potential Credit
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Program Overview

The combination of globalization and proliferation of dangerous technologies, combined with the rise of religious fundamentalism, has raised terrorism to the most dangerous and enduring threat to our national security. Since the mid-1990s, our nation has tried to develop an understanding and an approach to Homeland Security. The Federal government now defines Homeland Security as a concerted national effort to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States; reduce America's vulnerability to terrorism; and minimize the damage and recover from attacks that do occur.

The 28-credit-hour Professional Certificate in Homeland Security, for those seeking continuing education, and the 20-credit-hour general Certificate in Homeland Security, are designed for individuals seeking a greater understanding of post-September 11 issues regarding Homeland Security. The reality is that Homeland Security has become the umbrella program for coordinating integrated multidisciplinary planning, training and emergency operations of law enforcement, security, public health, transportation security, fire and emergency management operations. Currently this represents billions of dollars, millions of public servants and private sector personnel. These professionals seek a location where they can expand their intellectual understanding of this integrated national effort and prepare for increased responsibility.

Focusing on issues of prevention, deterrence, preparedness, response and law, this certificate program provides a comprehensive overview of Homeland Security law; its relation to federal and state agencies; and its impact on the workplace and one's own personal well-being. The certificate is specifically designed to prepare individuals in the complex realities of today's political world. This will be accomplished through study of the complex connection between historic threats to national and international security and the broader issues underlying them, including social justice. This unique interdisciplinary approach provides insight into the connection of historical and political causes of terrorism and violence to ethically based responses. Graduates will possess an understanding of the tensions today between freedom and security and its affects on international politics.

Basic Principles of Homeland Security (CRJ 300)

4.00

(This course provides an overview to the philosophical, historical and operational challenges of homeland security in combating world terrorism.

This will be examined through the past, present and future of world terrorism as it specifically addresses the impact on public safety and national security. Discussed will be the levels of infrastructure required from both the operational and administrative functions. Emphasis is placed on three major components; determination of critical infrastructure and key assets, identification and level of threat potential, incident command systems and intelligence gathering/analysis. Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree or permission of the Division Chair.)

Prevention, Deterrence and Preparedness (HLS C303)**4.00**

(This course provides an understanding about the steps necessary for prevention, deterrence and preparation required to combat domestic and international terrorism. This course is designed to provide students the necessary skills to recognize acts of terrorism, potential terrorists and insight into terrorist's perceptions and motivations. Areas of study will include planning preparedness within the new regulatory framework, understanding of community and national disaster relief procedures, combating weapons of mass destruction and cyber terrorism. This course does not count toward any requirement or degree. Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree or permission of the Division Chair.)

Homeland Security Law (HLSC 304)**4.00**

(Comprehensive overview for business, industry, and government as well as those faced with the new legal and security issues raised by new public laws, the new regulatory framework, and the new Department of Homeland Security. An overview of homeland security laws and regulations; emerging public safety requirements and policies; current and evolving programs to protect water, food, and air supplies; the latest security challenges in air transportation, vessel and port operations, and chemical handling and storage; privacy rights and the balance of these with security concerns; human resource issues; organizational structure and management priorities; developing effective and compliant security plans. Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree or permission of the Division Chair.)

Critical Incident Response Management (HLSC 305)**4.00**

(An examination of the potential results from nuclear, biological, and chemical incidents or uses. Analysis of critical incident management of natural disasters: hurricane, tornado, blizzard, fire, flood, and earthquake. Review of public health consequences; development of emergency planning and response measures in place among U.S. agencies, state agencies, and emerging detection and management technologies; discussion of existing vulnerabilities to these types of incidents and attacks; protection of infrastructures and communication alternatives will also be examined. Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree or permission of the Division Chair.)

Seminar, Planning and Integrated Response (HLSC C306)**4.00**

(During this course the students will integrate homeland security principles, organizations, responsibilities, laws and incident response in a group exercise presented in a seminar format. Students will participate in simulated homeland security activities through the continuum of prevention, deterrence, response, and recovery. Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree or permission of the Division Chair. This course does not count

toward any requirement or degree.)
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Excess or Duplicate Credit

TOTAL	20.00	0.00
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Thank you for requesting support from the U.S. Coast Guard Institute (CGI). Whereas we serve as an activity in support of your unit Educational Services Officer (ESO), you are encouraged to seek assistance from your local ESO in your academic endeavors. The following information is provided to help you understand what is presented in this degree plan:

This document is an UNOFFICIAL Degree Plan to provide you with a preliminary assessment of how your prior learning experiences might fit into the specified degree program for this academic institution. If you choose to pursue this degree option, you must present it to a college representative, who will review it for the following:

- o Accurate representation of the college's degree program requirements, including course numbers and titles, credit hours for each course, lower- and upper-level course requirements, and the total number of credits needed for the degree.
- o Appropriate assignment of ACE Guide-recommended credit at the lower or upper level for military service schools and occupations, CLEP, DSST, and other tests, transfer credit for courses from other colleges and universities, certification programs, etc.
- o Appropriate assignment of SOC Course Category Codes from the SOC Handbook Transferability Tables. The SOC Degree Program Handbooks can be obtained from the SOC web site at: www.soc.aascu.org should you wish to learn more about the course transfer guarantees among SOC network institutions.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When you are ready to seek admission into this degree program, please contact the USCG Institute at 1-405-954-7241. Your advisor will send the college or university an official U.S. Coast Guard Institute transcript, a copy of the degree plan, and a ready-for-signature SOC Student Agreement which, when signed by a college official, becomes a contract for degree completion committing the college or university to supporting you in your academic endeavors.

Credit for all courses you have taken must be reflected on official transcripts sent directly to this college from the administrative offices of the colleges you previously attended. This degree plan is often used for information purposes by college counselors pending receipt of the official transcripts from the source colleges.

This degree plan is not intended to compete with your local college or university. Keep in mind, you are allowed to transfer in a significant amount of the degree requirements to this institution. As such, credit from local colleges, college level examination programs, or advanced military training may be applied to this degree. You may also complete the courses necessary from this college either in residence (on campus or possibly on a military base at a campus extension in the Education Center) or through distance delivery of the courses. If you have questions, please contact the college counselor or your advisor listed at the bottom

of this Degree Plan.

DEGREE PLAN LEGEND:

SH = Semester hours
VOC = Vocational, not relative to an academic degree
LL = Lower Level, i.e. courses at the Freshman/Sophomore level
UL = Upper Level, i.e. courses at the Junior/Senior level
GL = Graduate Level (sometimes recommended by ACE for very complex courses)
[#] such as [EN024A] or [EN024B] = SOC Course Category Codes*
{#} such as {DANTES Code = 01.02.03} = DANTES Academic Codes **

* SOC Course Category Codes: Service members Opportunity Colleges (SOC) is a consortium of over 1,600 accredited colleges and universities seeking to provide degree opportunities to the military. Over 170 of these institutions participate in network degree programs developed for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. A SOC course category number beside a course from one of these institutions, such as [EN024A] or [EN024B] for English Composition, indicates that courses from other degree program institutions with the same code may be taken to satisfy the degree requirement. See the SOC Degree Programs Handbooks at <http://www.soc.aascu.org/>

** DANTES Academic Codes: The Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) publishes the DANTES Independent Study Catalog (DISC) annually, which lists more than 6,000 courses from dozens of regionally accredited colleges and universities. Because this is a degree from a SOC affiliated college, the academic residency requirements are limited, thereby allowing students to transfer in a significant portion of the degree, as mentioned above. If the course you desire to take is not offered by this institution when you want to take it, consider the opportunities the courses in the DISC present. For more information, visit http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes_web/distancelearning/disc/front/cont.htm Keep in mind, you should always check with the counselor or academic advisor at this institution before enrolling in a course listed in the DISC to ensure it will be accepted in transfer toward this degree.

Information supplied by Ohio Dominican University:

As a Dominican and Catholic university, we recognize that we live in a diverse culture of sometimes conflicting perspectives. However, at the root of each culture are values that cut across that diversity and unite us. Ideally, formal education provides a foundation for the development of future leaders who are able to recognize this essential truth. Effective leadership identifies the core issues or obstacles and then develops moral, ethical, and responsible strategies for successfully leveraging resources, experience, and/or technology to achieve the mission.

You can buy a degree or you can earn a degree. Only one has real value. In twenty years, when graduates look at their diploma hanging on the wall, we want the experience at Ohio Dominican to be something of value - not something they simply completed. The bottom line is we will provide students an education with life and career value - not simply a head full of knowledge. As you look over Ohio Dominican University's programs you will find we have extensive experience providing tools that allow adult learners to successfully complete their education.

Retention and completion of students matter: if someone leaves before completing their degree our university has failed in its mission, our student has failed in their ambition, and the society has lost the opportunity to develop a more well-informed and thoughtful citizenry.

As an institution we provide:

- " Completely on-line, accredited, distance learning programs
- " On-site and branch campus degree program delivery
- " Adult learning audiences
- " Cohort-based degree program delivery
- " Accelerated degree program delivery
- " Offering distance learning students such as academic advising, degree planning, career guidance and financial aid counseling

Military Personnel and the Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges

As a member of the Servicemembers Opportunity College (SOC) Consortium, we provide educational programs to military personal, military dependents and contractors. We are also a member of the SOC Network, making us a preferred educational vendor for the US Coast Guard (one of only three universities in Ohio) and the National Guard (one of only three). Through the military's Tuition Assistance Program you attend our online program virtually free of charge.

Educational Partners

As an experienced institution committed to learning we recognize that not everyone starts college in the same place. Educational backgrounds are as varied as the reasons for returning to school. Every student has their own unique experiences with college. As such we have developed several articulation agreements with community colleges that allow their students and graduates to enter our online classrooms as a junior and complete there degree.

Graduates and students from these colleges receive priority admissions consideration:

- " Columbus State Community College, Columbus OH
- " Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland OH
- " Fayetteville Technical Community College, Fayetteville NC
- " Sinclair Community College, Dayton OH
- " Rio Salado Community College, Tempe AZ
- " Central Ohio Technical College, Newark OH

We are actively seeking new partnerships with colleges so be sure to ask if your school is included.

Program Information

If you would like additional information on the Certificates in Homeland Security please visit these links:

1. General course information --
http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/majors/homeland_security.asp
2. Course descriptions
http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/catalog/undergraduate/course_descriptions_ug/

homeland_security.asp

3. Certificate Requirements --

http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/catalog/undergraduate/degree_programs/homeland_security.asp

4. Program Coordinator and Expert Practitioner Jim Thomas' Biography --

<http://elearning.ohiodominican.edu/default.asp?content=exPract&sub=3&page=99>

And the B.A. in Criminal Justice:

1. General course information --

http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/majors/criminal_justice.asp

2. Course descriptions --

http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/catalog/undergraduate/course_descriptions_ug/criminal_justice.asp

3. Degree Requirements --

http://www.ohiodominican.edu/academics/catalog/undergraduate/degree_requirements/bachelor.asp

Both of these programs are offered as accelerated 8 week courses, 100% online, and delivery through a proved delivery platform. You can find out more about eLearning @ Ohio Dominican University by visiting <http://elearning.ohiodominican.edu>.

Getting Started

Below you will find a list of steps that you need to complete to reach your goal. Each of these actions will move you one step closer towards your goal of earning additional education and training. You will find this Tasklist provides a step-by-step outline of what needs to be done to get you started. Ideally, it will take approximately 30-45 days from the day you inquire to complete your enrollment package.

The job of your ESO and Ohio Dominican University's SOC Representative is to be a coach and a cheerleader. Like a coach, we can lay out the plan of execution but it is up to you to take the action. We can encourage and cheer you along but your ultimate success is a result of your commitment to your educational ambition and willingness to make it happen.

"A journey of 1,000 miles begins with the first step." - Unknown

When do you want to start? Aug Oct Jan Mar Jun 2006 2007 2008

What programs are you interested in completing?

___ B.A. in Criminal Justice

___ B.A. in Criminal Justice with a Professional Certificate in Homeland Security

___ Professional Certificate in Homeland Security (7 courses, 28 credit hours)

___ General Certificate in Homeland Security (5 courses, 20 credit hours)

Task	Completion Timeline	Description
Request Information Today's Date: _____		Your first step towards your degree:
Inquire at http://elearning.ohiodominican.edu		
Initial Phone Interview	Within 1-3 days	10 minutes via phone
Candidate Interview	Within 3-5 days	30 minutes via phone
Complete eLearning Application	Within 3-10 days	The free online application will take approximately 15 to 30 minutes to complete. You can complete the application by visiting http://eLearning.OhioDominican.edu

Order all Official Transcripts Within 10-15 days Degree audits cannot be completed without an official transcript from all previous insitutions. Official transcripts can be mailed to eLearning @ Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus, OH 43219. Attn: Sean Kinney.

List previous Institutional Credit below

College 1:

College 2:

Military Transcripts:

ACE:

Other Credits:

Completion of FAFSA Within 15-25 days Complete your application by visiting www.fafsa.ed.gov. If it is your first visit you will need to apply for a PIN number. When you complete your FAFSA specify Ohio Dominican University as one of the recipients. Our federal code is 003035. Filed electronically it takes 3 to 5 business days to receive your information from FAFSA and 2 business days to process your packet.

Official Degree Audit Complete Within 20-30 days Degree Audits will be completed within 3 business days of receipt of last transcript and emailed/faxed to the servicemember and ESO.

Completion of Student Agreement N/A Will be completed in conjunction with the Degree Audit. SOC Network Only.

Acceptance/Status Letter Within 25-20 days Acceptance is based on completion and review of the initial 30 minute Candidate Interview and submission and evaluation of official transcripts from all previous institutions of higher learning.

Student notification of Financial Aid Notification of Financial Aid is made to students once the application and transcripts are received, the transcripts are evaluated and the student is accepted into the program. Payment of \$100 Tuition Deposit This is not an additional cost and it will be subtracted from the initial billing statement and is fully refundable until 60 days before student's classes begin. The tuition deposit can be made via check, VISA, M/C or Discover brand credit cards.

Register for the Semester Within 48 hrs of deposit Last day to register is 7 days before the start of the semester.

Submission of Schedule and Billing Within 72 hours of scheduling classes schedule and bills will be faxed or mailed to ESC for TA verification.

Receipt of Military Tuition Assistance Form Needs to be verified before student can begin classes. Arranged Payment Plan for any Unpaid Balance Contact Bobbi Baumann toll-free at (800) 955-6446 to arrange a payment schedule for any unpaid tuition and fee balance.

Tuition for online classes is \$200 per credit hour for military students.

Employees of government agencies, corporations, and private business may be eligible for military tuition rates if they are members of any of the seven Military Reserve or National Guard components. Check with the admissions office to determine eligibility if applicable.

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This college is rated as one of the nation's best in U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges" issue.

Evaluation completed by: Charles Morrison

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